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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Houda Morad on 6/11/09.

The application has been amended as follows:

1) Claims 6-8 drawn to the non elected invention, have been canceled.

2) In the specification, page 1, before the 1st line, following is inserted:

- - This application is a 371 of PCT/JP04/00140, filed 01/13/2004. - -

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior arts are Enokida et al(US 6,251,531 and US 5,759,444). See the abstract. However, the reference differs from the instant claims in that in the instant claims R1 is tertiary alkyl of 3 to 10 carbon atoms or secondary or tertiary cycloalkyl groups and R2 is alkyl group of 1-1 carbon atoms. Such definition is not taught in the reference.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel Sullivan can be reached on (571)272-0779. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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